

West Lake Landfill: draft bullet points for press release for ASPECT overflights

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Debbie,

As you requested yesterday, here are a few draft bullet points to use in the press release notifying the public of the upcoming ASPECT gamma overflights of West Lake and Coldwater Creek:

- EPA will scan the West Lake Landfill and Coldwater Creek for gamma radiation on (date TBD, probably late February or early March) using our ASPECT airplane.
- The Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology (ASPECT) is a small twin-engine aircraft that can measure gamma emissions from radiological materials on the ground. The aircraft carries a crew of three and is based in Dallas, TX. It is often used to provide radiation security for large public events, such as the recent presidential inauguration and the Super Bowl.
- The aircraft will fly over West Lake Landfill and Coldwater Creek at an altitude of about 300 to 500 feet in parallel lines about 400 feet apart. The scan should take approximately one hour to cover the landfill and approximately two hours to cover the length of Coldwater Creek from the airport to the Missouri River. The flight may take place at night to avoid other aircraft traffic at the airport.

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